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Man calls cops over stolen pot

CRIME A Dartmouth man called Halifax Regional Police this week to report four men broke into his apartment and stole cash, electronics — and his marijuana.

The 23-year-old man alleges the men held him at gunpoint in his Bolland Road apartment just after 4 p.m. Tuesday.

Police spokesman Const. Brian Palmeter said it is unlikely the victim will face drug possession charges because they don't know how much drugs are actually involved.

"We do have people that call from time to time and report that somebody has stolen their drugs," he said.

Police are still looking for the break-and-enter suspects.

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Huskies Chopping down the Axemen



Saint Mary's Huskies players celebrate a first-period goal against the Acadia Axemen during last night's AUHC semifinal game at the Halifax Forum. The Huskies celebrated often as they crushed the Axemen 9-2. The Huskies won the best-of-five series 3-1 and will now take on the St. Francis Xavier X-Men, who upset the University of New Brunswick in the other semifinal. **Story, page 9.**

Classified up for 3 Junos

MUSIC Is anybody listening? Apparently so.

Enfield rapper Classified, a.k.a. Luke Boyd, landed three Juno nominations yesterday, including Single of the Year for his hit Anybody Listening.

"For the Junos, that's pretty crazy," Boyd said of being nominated three times. "The Junos are on such a big level."

Classified faces stiff competition in a marquee category for the April 18 show in St. John's, N.L. The Tragically Hip (Love Is A First), Michael Bublé (Haven't Met You Yet), Drake (Best I Ever Had) and Billy Talent (Rusted From The Rain) are the other nominees.

Classified is also nominated for Rap Recording of the Year for the album Self Explanatory and Video of the Year for Anybody Listening. This is the third time Classified is nominated in the rap category.

"When news like this comes out, it makes you feel good," he said.

"It shows all your hard work is not going under the radar."

Classified wasn't the only local musician to receive multiple Juno nomination yesterday. Halifax's Joel Plaskett landed two nominations: Songwriter of the Year and Adult Alternative Album of the Year, both for the record Three.

The Halifax-based musical production DRUM! was nominated for the Music DVD of the Year category for DRUM! Live.

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Grits slam NDP trips

England seminar 'an investment in democracy': Speaker

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The Liberals are accusing the provincial government of wasteful jet-setting as another high-ranking NDP officer prepares to fly overseas.

Speaker Charlie Parker heads the office in charge of handling MLA expense reforms. He's heading to a Council of State Governments meeting in Maine from today to Saturday, then Sunday he flies to England for a 12-day Westminster Seminar on parliamentary practices.

"It's almost like they've not understood the severity of the anger Nova Scotians have towards this issue," Liberal Leader Stephen McNeil said of the expense scandal. He said Parker needs to be in the province to oversee fixes to the system.

Opposition members have criticized other recent NDP trips as wasteful, such as Premier Darrell Dexter heading to Copenhagen and the Winter Olympics in Vancouver.

"Find me a report from any one of the last trips they've gone on, or anyone has gone on, that tells you what benefit there was to

Nova Scotians," McNeil said. "You can't find one."

Reached by phone yesterday, Parker said the trip to Maine is necessary because Halifax will be hosting the 2011 meeting of the Council of State Governments next August. He said about 700 people will be coming from 12 eastern states and the five other eastern provinces.

As for the London trip, Parker called it "an investment in democracy."

"This is a unique opportunity for me as speaker to go and rub shoulders with other parliamentarians

and, hopefully, bring back some good ideas we can use here in Nova Scotia," he said.

He didn't know the total cost of the trip, but his registration fees for the seminar are \$600. Parker noted past speakers have attended the seminar and said it helps teach how to best serve constituents in a parliamentary democracy.

Parker said he will be able to keep in constant touch with his office through telephone and email so reform work will not be held up.



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Estabrooks 'damn angry' about changes

MLA upset new rules means he has to cut donation spending

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Bill Estabrooks accepts he has to slash his donations spending, but he isn't happy about it.

"To put it to you candidly it makes me real damn angry," said the NDP cabinet minister yesterday.

Estabrooks was the most generous giver amongst MLAs. He spent \$29,750 on donations and gifts over the 12 months before the June election, more than any other member. He also spent \$14,674 on advertising.

That will have to end after the internal economy board decimated advertising spending limits to about \$400 per month — one-tenth of the previous maximum. Another \$1,050 fund was cut altogether.

"I'm frustrated, I'm disappointed, but I'll do as I'm told," Estabrooks said. "I've got to live with the decision that was made, that's the bottom line."

He said the recipients of his donations included church groups, sports teams and needy constituents. He mentioned one case where he helped a single mother

afford to enrol her kids in hockey and gymnastics.

"I guess I can't help her out anymore. That's the way it goes," he said.

Estabrooks' most controversial advertising was to have a junior hockey team wear "Bill MLA" on the backs of its jerseys. He said he was hurt by accusations of vote buying, and said that was never his intention.

The practice of MLAs using their expense accounts to donate to charities has come under the microscope since the

auditor general's report last month. Scott Hennig, president of the Canadian Taxpayers Federation, said the spending was inappropriate.

This week former speaker Art Donahoe, who is charged with crafting the new rules around MLA expenses, is also skeptical of community donations.

"I think that's very laudible," he said this week. "What I'm not certain, though, is whether they should come out of the public purse."

Donahoe's recommendations include banning any "word, initial, colour or device" that links an MLA to a political party in constituency advertisements.

Attempted abduction claim made up: RCMP

MOUNT UNIACKE The RCMP say a child's claim of attempted abduction in Mount Uniacke was made up.

Sgt. Brigdit Leger says their investigation has determined there was no substance to claims by a 10-year-old boy that a man tried to drag him into a vehicle last week.

The boy claimed he was approached by a man shortly after he got off a school bus in Mount Uniacke.

Leger says their investi-

gation determined the claim was false after the boy sat down with a sketch artist to describe his purported attacker.

She says there is a charge under the Criminal Code for misleading police but the boy won't be charged because of his age and the file is closed.

Leger says such incidents are unfortunate because they draw police resources away from areas where they are really needed.

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A firefighter descends a ladder from the roof of an apartment building on Dundas Street in Dartmouth yesterday morning. Residents of the three-storey building at the intersection of Portland and Dundas streets were forced to evacuate their apartments around 6:30 a.m. No one was hurt in the fire.

Firefighters stop apartment blaze early

DARTMOUTH Twelve people escaped unharmed from an early morning fire in downtown Dartmouth yesterday.

Halifax Regional Fire and Emergency Services responded to reports of a fire at a three-storey apartment building on the corner of Dundas and Portland streets just after

6 a.m. yesterday.

The Red Cross says tenants could return to the building as early as today, though four apartments near the back of the building were extensively damaged.

"The firefighting crews did a really good job stopping (this) one early," said

Capt. Dave Meldrum of Halifax fire, adding the cause of the blaze is still under investigation.

A first-floor pub and a laundromat escaped damage from the blaze. Five pets inside the building also got out unharmed.

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News in brief

HEATING HELP N.S. will donate \$400,000 to the Salvation Army's home heating help program. The province gave \$800,000 to the program last winter. About \$400,000 of that was left over for this year, but that money is almost depleted.

CHARGES A 38-year-old Halifax man is facing multiple charges in connection to a drugstore robbery Tuesday night in north-end Halifax. The man is charged with robbery, assault with a weapon and possession of a weapon. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Cause of fatal fire still unknown

INVESTIGATION Halifax regional fire is continuing to investigate the cause of Tuesday's fatal fire that claimed the life of a Dartmouth man.

According to Capt. Dave Meldrum of Halifax fire, investigators have left the scene of the fire at 112 Pinecrest Drive, but are still trying to determine the cause.

"Sadly, there's not a whole lot of new information I can provide ... until (investigators) get a chance

to do their work," he said.

Firefighters responded just after 5 p.m. Tuesday to the blaze at the three-storey building. According to platoon Chief Mike Blackburn, the fire was quickly put out, and one person was found dead inside.

The name of the victim hasn't been released pending notification of next of kin. Police do not believe the fire to be suspicious.

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Paintball vandal strikes Louisdale

Some people are known for painting the town red, but in Louisdale, they've also been using blue. Police say someone shooting paintballs Monday night covered a business in the colour blue. A number of homes and a vehicle were also hit. Police have made no arrests. **METRO HALIFAX**

Rescue could have been faster: Officer

Another ship was 4 hours away from Concordia, sailor says

The first officer of a Nova Scotia-owned tall ship that went down off Brazil said he and 63 others on board could have been rescued within hours if Brazilian officials had sent out an emergency call for help sooner.

Kim Smith said yesterday he knew there was at least one other vessel four hours away from his training vessel, the Concordia, just before it went over on its side on Feb. 17 and sank 20 minutes later.

Smith said an emergency beacon on the 57-metre ship would have immediately alerted Brazilian officials to a problem when the Concordia heeled, about 500 kilometres offshore.

Once the navy confirmed it was a real emergency, Smith said they should have spread the message to other ships in the region to come to the aid of the Concordia, whose crew managed to get off the crippled vessel and into life-rafts before it went down.

But Smith said it took about 20 hours before any distress call was issued and 40 hours before the crew was rescued.

"There was a vessel within four hours of us and I

Investigation

Officials with the Transportation Safety Board of Canada said response time will be one of the areas they examine in an independent investigation they announced yesterday into the sinking of the Concordia, which served as a floating classroom for students from around the world. Ken Potter, manager of investigations for the marine branch of the TSB, said they are gathering information on a range of issues to determine what caused the ship to sink and if there are any safety deficiencies.

know they received a distress call almost instantly," he said from Lunenburg, the home base for the Concordia.

"There could be a false signal, but when you see that there are 64 people involved you'd think they would step it up a little."

Brazilian navy officials have said it took them time to confirm that it was a legitimate distress call since emergency beacons are notorious for going off accidentally.

The navy did not return calls yesterday seeking comment. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

HRP won't comment on decision to retain RCMP

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COUNCIL Halifax Regional Police are declining to comment on council's decision to maintain the status quo in HRM policing.

Police spokesman Const. Brian Palmeter said yesterday the matter is for the mayor and council to discuss, not HRP.

"It's a council decision, between them and the police commission," he said. "They went through the process and council made the decision ... It's not a police matter to speak to."

Council voted behind closed doors Tuesday to keep the integrated model of policing. Currently, the HRP service urban areas while the RCMP patrol out-

laying regions such as Sackville and Cole Harbour.

The Board of Police Commissioners, chaired by Coun. Russell Walker, recommended HRP take over all policing responsibilities in the municipality.

The board's report, released Tuesday evening, cited financial savings, increased cohesion and the elimination of overheads as the reasons for the recommendation.

HRP have been tight-lipped about the issue since the recommendation was leaked to media last week. But Chief Frank Beazley told CBC last Wednesday he considered the report "just good business."

RCMP Supt. Darrell Beat came out in favour of the decision Tuesday.



Susan Stackhouse, left, and Patricia Zentilli rehearse a scene from *Rabbit Hole* at Neptune Theatre on Tuesday. The play, written by David Lindsay-Abaire, won the 2007 Pulitzer Prize for Drama. *Rabbit Hole* premieres Friday and runs until March 28.

Director invites you down the Rabbit Hole

NEPTUNE Director Daryl Cloran admits *Rabbit Hole* could be a hard show to sell to an audience on the surface.

The new Neptune Theatre play tells the plight of a family dealing with the loss of their four-year-old son — not exactly date-night material for some.

But dig a little deeper, and you'll find a lot about this play you might want to take in.

For one, it's a Pulitzer Prize winner by playwright David Lindsay-Abaire. Secondly, according to Cloran, it has a really good story. And thirdly, and maybe most surprisingly given the subject matter, there are some laughs.

Get your tickets

Rabbit Hole officially opens tomorrow and runs through March 28 at Neptune Theatre's Fountain Hall. For tickets and show times, visit neptunetheatre.com.

"There are a lot of really rapid-fire comic scenes," Cloran said of the two-hour play, which at times takes a light-hearted approach to a devastating scenario for a family.

Cloran said he feels he's the perfect fit to direct *Rabbit Hole*. While he's never lost a child, he does have an 18-month-old son, and when putting this play

together he thought about how he'd handle this unimaginable situation for a parent.

"I can really get into the mindset for what it means," the 35-year-old Toronto director said. "It certainly feels very personal to me."

The cast for *Rabbit Hole* includes Jeff Meadows, Drew O'Hara, Susan Stackhouse, Genevieve Steele and Patricia Zentilli. It will be the fourth play Cloran has directed at Neptune and his first at Fountain Hall. His last play at Neptune was *Ubuntu: The Capetown Project*, which was shown last March on the Studio Theatre stage.

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No charges to be laid after man hit, killed by car on highway

DEATH There will be no charges in the death of a Nova Scotia man hit by a car over the weekend.

Forty-one-year-old Paul Edwards of Tencape was struck Saturday night on

Highway 215 in the community.

The RCMP said on the weekend that an officer drove over a rise on the highway to see a car stopped on the road and a

body on the ground.

Sgt. Brigdit Leger said yesterday it appears Edwards was already lying on the road when he was struck.

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NHL team won't be back, mayor says

FUNDING The mayor of Port Hawkesbury says the Florida Panthers won't be coming back to his town for training camp this fall.

Time has run out after months of talks with the provincial government about funding to bring the NHL team back to Port Hawkesbury.

Mayor Billy Joe MacLean says he never got an answer from the government and realized the province wasn't coming through.

MacLean says he concluded he was just "beating a dead horse."

The town had extended a deadline to secure provincial funding for the training camp until the end of last month — but he says that date came and went without an answer.

MacLean says the town is shifting its focus to hosting a curling event.

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N.S. shipbuilders to restore Bluenose

ALLIANCE A consortium of Nova Scotia shipbuilders has been chosen to restore the schooner Bluenose II.

The Lunenburg Shipyard Alliance was the successful respondent to a request for interest issued in December.

The consortium includes Covey Island Boatworks, Snyder's Shipyard and Lunenburg Industrial Foundry and Engineering.

The province will issue a request for proposals shortly that will be the basis of a contract with the alliance.

Restoration work on the 47-year-old wooden tall ship is expected to begin later this year.

The project is being funded by the provincial and federal governments.

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Weed killer turns male frogs into females

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Kenney denial

Immigration Minister Jason Kenney is denying any role in the removal of gay rights references from a citizenship guide. "I did not do such a thing," he says. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Bye-bye big spender

Tories' austerity plan in throne speech ends our glory days

Say goodbye to Canada's big-spending glory days.

After a two-month parliamentary shutdown to "recalibrate" its agenda, the Conservative government laid out an austerity plan for the country in yesterday's throne speech in a bid to chop the record \$56-billion deficit.

The government said it will restore the country's "fiscal balance" by restraining spending, starting with a proposed symbolic freeze on lofty MP

"They shut down Parliament for this?"

Michael Ignatieff

salaries.

Despite the recalibration, there are no major new initiatives and no plans for huge spending cuts — and none of the big spending of past budgets.

As expected, the Tories confirmed that the last \$19 billion from the big-mon-

ey, recession-fighting stimulus fund will be doled out next fiscal year, and then the taps are off for good.

The government is replacing cash-heavy programs with other measures, such as: loosening foreign investment rules, cutting environmental red tape, and increasing the child-support payment for single-parent families.

Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff called the speech "regurgitation" rather than recalibration.

"They shut down Parliament for this?" he asked.

"Is this the result of procrastination? There is no vision for the future of our country. It's just a collection of old announcements."

NDP Leader Jack Layton said: "Given that they've had so many weeks without bothersome MPs asking them questions in the House, you'd think they could have come up with something better than this." **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Rick on the run Paralympic torch sets young hearts aflame



Comedian Rick Mercer runs with the Paralympic torch during the Vancouver 2010 Paralympic torch relay launch ceremony on Parliament Hill yesterday. The relay will visit 11 communities in 10 days before the lighting of the Paralympic cauldron at B.C. Place in downtown Vancouver on March 12, opening the first Paralympic Winter Games ever held in Canada.

Women lose out: Study

SEXES Women have seen only a small part of the action in the Conservative government's Economic Action Plan.

That's according to a new study of how the sexes are faring in federal stimulus spending.

As the federal government prepares to roll out its new budget today, a new study by a Queen's

University professor argues that men are seeing a disproportionate share of the benefits of Ottawa's record spending over the past year.

Kathleen Lahey says women have only received about seven to 22 per cent of federal infrastructure spending, because they are under-represented in the construction, manufactur-

ing and engineering industries. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

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Own the Auditorium? Arts community hopes for same treatment as athletes in budget. Scan this code for the story.

Family fears for missing mom

MYSTERY The family of a New Brunswick woman missing for more than four days says she is not the kind of person who would abandon her family.

Donna O'Reilly, 54, hasn't been seen since Friday night when she left work in Moncton.

"She is an amazing mother," said daughter Amy Popovich.

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Couple accused of bartering sex with daughter

Authorities in Georgia say a mother and father offered sex with their 14-year-old daughter in lieu of making payments on their minivan. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

World

Widening scandal shocks Germany

It happened for years, again and again. Every morning before class, the boys had to undress and Father Ludger Stueper sprayed them with cold water from the hose, front and back.

The boys also had to lie down on Stueper's couch where the Roman Catholic priest would take their temperature — rectally for seven minutes. Then there were the photos taken of the boys, forced to pose naked.

A few of the at least 150 victims are now willing to speak out in an ever-widening scandal involving allegations of priests sexually abusing their pupils at sev-

Papal reaction

Neither Pope Benedict XVI nor the Vatican has made specific remarks about the abuse scandal in Germany, a Vatican spokesman, the Rev. Ciro Benedettini, said, but he added that previous statements on other such scandals — including most recently about Ireland — are certainly valid for Germany.

eral Catholic high schools across Germany.

The scandal has spiralled since seven alumni of the prestigious Catholic Canisius Kolleg in Berlin first came forward with allegations of abuse in January,

shocking the homeland of Pope Benedict XVI.

While the focus of the sex abuse scandal in the Catholic church centred on the U.S. for several years, abuse scandals have in recent years erupted in other countries as well, including Canada, Ireland, the Philippines, Poland, Mexico, Italy and elsewhere.

More than one month after the first victims came forward in Berlin, new revelations of child abuse by Catholic priests are surfacing on an almost daily basis. "This is just the tip of the iceberg," the Rev. Klaus Mertes, the director of Canisius Kolleg said last month.

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Uganda Death toll rises



Men carry a coffin up towards the area of the mudslides in Uganda yesterday. Rivers of mud swamped houses, stores and at least one school after torrential rains Tuesday, killing at least 92 people with some 250 still missing, officials say.

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ATC let child radio plane instructions

NEW YORK An air traffic controller at New York's Kennedy Airport was suspended yesterday for allowing his young son to radio instructions to several pilots. The few quick exchanges between the elementary-school-aged child and jets waiting to take off from JFK, one of America's busiest airports, appeared to delight pilots at the time. But the Federal Aviation Administration suspended the controller and a supervisor after recordings of the calls were posted on the Internet, then reported on by a Boston TV station.

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Obama's Gito plan hits hurdle after former detainee returns to lead Taliban resistance. Scan this code for the story.

News in brief

STATISTICS Road accidents are the leading cause of death for world youths from ages five to 29, and nearly half of the 1.2 million traffic fatalities each year are pedestrians, cyclists and motorcyclists, the World Health Organization said yes-

terday. The study finds that more than 90 per cent of the fatalities occur in developing nations.

SOCIAL MEDIA The Israeli military says a planned raid on a West Bank village was called off after an Israeli soldier dis-

closed its details online. The military says the combat soldier posted the time and location of the raid on his Facebook page saying that troops were planning on "cleaning up" the village.

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Cheating – stupid is as stupid does

Relating

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his just in: Cheating is dumb. Dr. Satoshi Kanazawa, an evolutionary psychologist of the London School of Economics and Political Science, has published a study suggesting that men with higher IQs are less likely to cheat on their partners. ("Or," posited Gawker's Richard Lawson, "are they just better at not getting

caught?")

The publication of the paper in *Social Psychology Quarterly* has if nothing else provided yet another opportunity for less cerebral media to publish more pictures of Tiger Woods and various faithless footballers. (As well as glib, scientifically illiterate columns like this one, I suppose.)

Kanazawa's theory is that primitive man was hard-wired for promiscuity, and monogamy is a more recent invention, an "evolutionary novel" behaviour that requires a little more head-horsepower to achieve.

He also found liberals and atheists tended to

"(Dr. Satoshi) Kanazawa's theory is that primitive man was hard-wired for promiscuity, and monogamy is a more recent invention, an 'evolutionary novel' behaviour that requires a little more head-horsepower to achieve."

have higher IQs than conservatives and believers, again reaching for the explanation of evolutionary novelty. Is it any wonder religious conservatives are the least likely to believe in evolution? What's in it for them?

Smart women, meanwhile, were found no less apt to get some on the side than those with lower IQs. Evolution is tricky stuff,

eh?

With all due respect to the good doctor, there may be a bit of confusion of cause and effect going on here. Maybe cheating makes you stupid. The likes of Eliot Spitzer and Bill Clinton, initially considered pretty sharp, ended up looking distinctly dumb once their reckless horndoggery was exposed. And maybe we're read-

ing too much into Kanazawa's findings that "more intelligent men are more likely to value monogamy and sexual exclusivity than less intelligent men," which is hardly a predictor of behaviour. Most cheaters will acknowledge that it's wrong, but they do it anyway.

I note another recent study, this one from researchers at the Geneva School of Business, that suggests women wanting happier marriages should seek out husbands less intelligent than themselves. Fine advice if you don't mind living with a dolt who would, according to Kanazawa, be more prone to adultery.

All of which maybe goes to show that science, while a nifty pursuit for eggheads whose presumed penchant for monogamy leaves them with time on their hands, is a crude tool for mapping the complexities of the relationship you actually live in.

Where does this leave us? Why are you asking me? If you're dumb enough to sleep around, and experience teaches that many of us are, I'd suggest you'll need a smarter plan than blaming either your modest IQ or millions of years of evolution when you get caught.

Steve Collins offers his best guesses on relationships for Metro every two weeks.

Views

Women with sticks deserve same recognition

FourthWave

Canice Leung

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Both our hockey teams struck Olympic gold in Vancouver. The next day, hockey fever raged on for the NHL. But whither the women after the podium was packed away? Is there support for women's hockey beyond the Games?

I polled a few hockey-obsessed friends: The answer was no. For one, there's no professional league; even if there were, the game lacks speed and finesse, one said.

Another said women don't excite the way pugilistic NHLers do. Wait, where did that fuzzy feeling go? I thought we were proud of our golden girls.

Despite limited interest in the game itself, I love women's hockey. The players push the envelope of what's seen as acceptable for "the fairer sex." Look no further than the constant chortling about lesbian players and coaches, and about Team Canada's cigar-and-beer-fuelled celebration (which I maintain was a tongue-in-cheek jab at how male players celebrate) to understand its place in our social fabric.

Female hockey players have always been a bit subversive. The sport began

with men, and as a result, fans have come to see the boys' version as the way it ought to be played. Now, women are adopting it, but with a style that's all their own. I must be among a minority who would welcome that kind of play — if this wasn't the case, a North American league like the NHL would exist by now.

There are some examples of women in men's hockey: Hayley Wickenheiser in European leagues; Manon Rheaume in NHL exhibition games — but one league said Wickenheiser shouldn't play with men, while Rheaume was dismissed as a publicity stunt. Still, everyone rubbernecked — eager to see if these gals could overcome

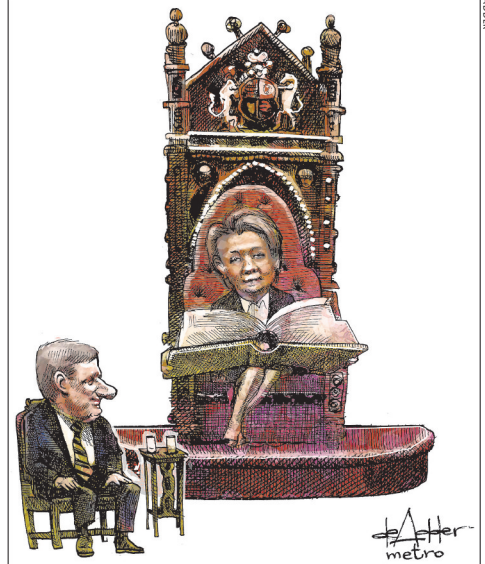
that unspoken notion that men always outclass women, and actually beat a guy.

It's a difficult pill to swallow, acknowledging that some spectators will never be inspired by women for their sheer athleticism; that she will always be good ... for a girl.

Add to that the talk that women's hockey ought to be removed from the Olympics. Supporters cried foul, maintaining that it will just take time to establish the sport and develop a deep talent pool. I hope that's the case. That would be golden.

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Canadian bankruptcies up 25 per cent in 2009

The number of Canadians who filed for bankruptcy was up by more than a quarter last year, but both business and personal bankruptcies fell for the third straight month in December.

Overall, bankruptcies were up by 25.9 per cent, and consumer bankruptcies rose by 28.4 per cent from the last month of 2008, when Canada and most other developed countries were in the midst of a major global recession.

December also showed improvements from the preceding months of 2009, although the Office of the Superintendent of Bank-

Firms fare well

- Canadian firms appeared to have fared remarkably well during the downturn. Business bankruptcies fell 7.7 per cent in December and for 2009 as a whole, they were down 12.1 per cent.

ruptcies cautioned that filings have historically tended to decrease in the latter part of most years.

Consumer bankruptcies dropped 8.7 per cent in December, following a 3.8 per cent decline in November.

Proposals, an alternative to bankruptcy that allows for a renegotiation of pay-

ments, also fell by 16.6 per cent in December, according to statistics compiled by the federal superintendent of bankruptcy.

"The continuation of the downward trend in consumer bankruptcy filings appears to be an increasingly positive sign that Canadian households are getting a better grasp on their finances," said Royal Bank economist David Onyett-Jeffries.

Onyett-Jeffries explained that recent changes to the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act encourages consumers to restructure debt as an alternative to declaring bankruptcy.

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Officials say a bikini and the First Amendment provide enough coverage for this advertisement outside a Denver coffee shop called Perky Cups, after Aurora city council member Molly Mark called the picture on the banner "degrading to women." The officials also deemed the billboard to be legal.

Expect more auto recalls in the future, say analysts

AUTO Nissan has joined the growing list of automakers recalling their vehicles, with a recall of more than 6,000 trucks and minivans in Canada to fix problems with brake pedals and fuel gauges.

Industry analysts say recalls will become more commonplace as new vehicles incorporate more complex technology.

Analyst Dennis DesRosiers says automakers have been making their vehicles increasingly sophisticated in response to new regulations for safety, emissions and fuel efficiency. He predicts this will lead to more and bigger recalls over the next 10 years.

Vehicle companies are also stepping up their safety initiatives in response to the regulatory pressure on Toyota due to a massive global recall of its products.

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Lawsuit

Relatives of a family killed in a high-speed crash have sued Toyota for product liability and negligence, according to a lawsuit filed Tuesday.

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RBC Royal Bank of Canada racked up a \$1.5-billion first-quarter profit, a 35 per cent gain from the same period a year earlier helped by cost cutting and an economic landscape beginning to recover from the recession.
PROFIT Torstar Corp. rose to a \$57.4-million profit in the fourth quarter, reversing a year-earlier loss as the big media company weathered a turbulent economy and benefited from earlier cost-cutting.

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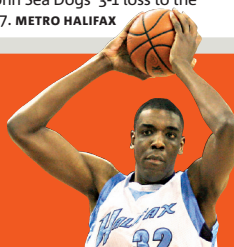
Analysts are hot on Bombardier, predicting huge gains as the aerospace industry recovers. Scan this code for the story.

Anthony snaps pointless streak in Sea Dogs' loss

Halifax's Steven Anthony ended a 12-game pointless slump with the lone goal in the Saint John Sea Dogs' 3-1 loss to the visiting P.E.I. Rocket in QMJHL action last night. Anthony hadn't recorded a point since Jan. 17. **METRO HALIFAX**

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Sports



Alleyne joins D-League

The tallest player in Halifax Rainmen history has a new home. Shagari Alleyne, a seven-foot-three centre who started the season in Halifax before being cut, has signed with the NBA D-League's Albuquerque Thunderbirds.

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Saint Mary's headed to AUS final

Lethal power play leads Huskies to 9-2 blowout over Axemen to clinch series

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The Saint Mary's Huskies' power play awoke from dormancy and shredded the Acadia Axemen.

The Huskies lit the lamp four straight times on the power play in the first period — more than they'd scored in five previous play-off games combined — in a 9-2 drubbing of the Axemen before a crowd of 3,228 at the Forum last night.

The win completed a 3-1 upset over the favoured Axemen in the best-of-five semifinal and sends the Huskies to their third straight Atlantic University Sport hockey final and gives them a shot at their second straight banner.

The Huskies' power play ended up with five goals — three off the stick of all-

Up next?

• The Huskies move on to face the fifth-place St. Francis Xavier X-Men, who completed a three-game upset sweep over the defending national champion New Brunswick Varsity Reds on Tuesday.

Canadian defenceman Andrew Hotham as part of a memorable four-goal, two-assist showing — and didn't fail until the third period when the No. 1 unit went to the bench with a six-goal cushion.

"Our power play has really struggled (lately)," said Hotham, whose Huskies had converted just three times on 25 attempts coming in. "We got back to basics and tried to get the puck on net as much as we could ... and our power play really stepped up."



St. Mary's Huskies forward Andrew Hotham slides a puck into the Acadia net as he crashes into Axemen goalie Kristofer Westblom during the second period of last night's AUCS semifinal at the Halifax Forum. Hotham scored four times to lead the Huskies past the Axemen 9-2.

There was some debate over how Saint Mary's ended up on the power play so

much early on. The Huskies credited their live legs and hard work for forcing Acadia to hold them up on the

cycle, while Axemen head coach Darren Burns said he

was "completely baffled" by the infractions.

"We're a pretty disciplined team and I didn't see us taking any blatant penalties out there," said Burns, whose troops had a penalty-killing rate of 90 per cent coming in. "But the bottom line is, we got 'em and we didn't kill 'em."

Former Halifax Mooseheads forwards Justin Munden and Colby Pridham each scored a pair for the third-place Huskies, while Patrick O'Keefe added a single and goalie Neil Conway made 23 saves.

The Axemen, who finished second overall, hadn't lost by more than four goals all season.

"I definitely didn't see that coming," Hotham said. "They played so well all year ... But with them playing well, it made us play better."

With Martin out, Howard among favourites in Brier

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CURLING Glenn Howard has heard — from more than a few people — that he hasn't had a very good curling season.

All he can do is shake his head.

The 47-year-old from Penetanguishene, Ont., finished the year atop the World Curling Tour's money list and order of merit ranking and went a perfect 12-0 at last month's provin-

cials en route to a record fifth Ontario championship.

But it seems some are hung up on the fact he lost to Alberta's Kevin Martin — an eventual gold medalist in Vancouver — in the final at Olympic trials in December.

"It's ironic (to hear people say that) because it's actually been a phenomenal year, probably one of the best years we've had," Howard said. "The one chink in the armor was losing to Kevin at Olympic trials — but not a bad team to lose to, be-

cause they went on to win a gold medal."

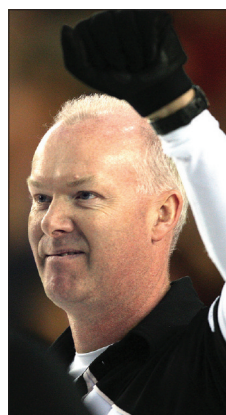
With Martin not around for the Tim Hortons Brier, Howard — along with big names such as Brad Gushue of Newfoundland and Labrador and Jeff Stoughton of Manitoba — will be considered among the favourites when the event opens on Saturday at the Metro Centre.

Martin won the last two Briers but it was Howard who claimed the title in 2007 and finished runner-up in 2006 and 2008. Last

year, he lost to Stoughton in the semifinals.

Howard, who has piled up 10 top-three finishes in a dozen Brier appearances in various roles, described the past month as "low-key," saying his team just tried to stay sharp while taking in the Olympic Games on television.

"Not everyone can go to the Olympics and we gave it a great shot," Howard said. "We played great all year and there's no reason we can't continue that into the Brier."



Glenn Howard

Rainmen sign Gilchrese

PBL The Halifax Rainmen made another roster move yesterday, signing point guard Eric Gilchrese.

The six-foot graduate of the NCAA Division I New Hampshire Wildcats starred for the Manchester Millrats earlier this season, but was released yesterday just before signing with the Rainmen. He is averaging 18.2 points and 4.1 assists.

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John Daly was so irritated that a Florida newspaper wrote about his PGA Tour disciplinary file that he referred to the writer as a "jerk" on Twitter and posted the writer's cellphone number for his followers to call. The file notes that Daly has been suspended five times and cited 21 times for not giving his best effort. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Sports in brief

WOODS Jack Nicklaus is going to appear at next month's Masters. He thinks Tiger Woods will as well. Nicklaus said yesterday that "it would surprise me" if Woods did not return to competitive golf in time for the Masters, a tournament the embattled world No. 1 has won four times in his career.

NHL The sale of the Tampa Bay Lightning to Boston Red Sox minority owner Jeff Vinik is complete. The NHL's Board of Governors gave unanimous approval to the deal yesterday.

BASEBALL Outfielder Justin Upton and the Arizona Diamondbacks have agreed to a \$51.25-million US, six-year contract.

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'No big thunder claps' at deadline

Plenty of smaller deals made by NHL GMs, but no blockbusters

Brian Burke said it best, as he often does.

"I would say it was decidedly quiet," the Toronto Maple Leafs general manager said after the NHL trade deadline had passed. "Lots of activity, but it's a low hum, you know? No big thunder claps."

Burke and his colleagues had moved plenty of freight yesterday, but no move on its own seemed like it could change a season. The Washington Capitals added plenty of veteran depth, while the Leafs and the Carolina Hurricanes shed some of theirs, but the league's annual bazaar closed without one signature, marquee move.

Defenceman Tomas Kaberle remained with the Leafs. Goaltender Tomas Vokoun was still employed by the Florida Panthers and Ray Whitney was, remarkably, still with the Hurricanes.

"It's challenging to try and find the space to fit players in, both roster-wise and financially," Vancouver



The Washington Capitals acquired defenceman Joe Corvo from the Carolina Hurricanes yesterday.

Canucks general manager Mike Gillis said in a conference call with reporters. "That, combined with the number of teams that are still in playoff races, I think made it a pretty difficult day to get much accomplished."

Washington acquired de-

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"No more Olympics, please." Ovechkin is in no mood to talk about Vancouver. Scan this code for the story.

fenceman Joe Corvo from Carolina, with one report suggesting he would share the blue-line with Mike Green on the power play. The Capitals also picked up forward Scott Walker from the Hurricanes, defenceman Milan Jurcina from Columbus and forward Er-

Local connections

- Columbus traded former Moosehead Milan Jurcina to Washington for a conditional sixth-round pick.
- Toronto traded Bayview's Joey MacDonald to Anaheim for a seventh-round pick in 2011.
- Edmonton traded Steve Staios to Calgary for Port Hawkesbury's Aaron Johnson and a conditional third-round pick.

ic Belanger from Minnesota.

Toronto shipped winger Alexei Ponikarovsky to the defending Stanley Cup champion Pittsburgh Penguins Tuesday night, and made a series of smaller moves in the final hours before the deadline. The Leafs flipped defenceman Martin Skoula — whom they had landed only hours earlier in the Ponikarovsky deal — to the New Jersey Devils for a fifth-round pick.

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Oscar outfits

Experts weigh in on red carpet expectations

JORDANA DIVON
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Awards? What awards? For many, Oscar night is the world's most elaborate fashion show, a chance for the sartorially minded to revel in the beauty (and occasional beastliness) of Hollywood glamour.

Just in case you can't wait until the weekend, Metro has assembled an expert panel to drop a few hints about what to expect on this year's Academy Awards runway.

The Ladies

Los Angeles-based Ali Rahimi is an awards show pro, having dressed stars like Amy Adams, Anjelica Huston and Jane Lynch for their respective romps down the red carpet. And al-

though he won't tell us who, don't be surprised to see one of his gowns floating into The Kodak

Theatre on Sunday.

"In the past few years the trend has been discovering new designers – not just sticking with the same old guard – and feeling comfortable enough to take a chance and wear colour or fabrics that are a little more out there. There's always going to be black, but I think we're also going to see a lot more fabrics like silk taffeta, which is very malleable to drape different designs in, silk duchess, crepe, and we're seeing a lot of wonderfully



Left: Stuart Weitzman black satin glitzy sandal, \$485.

complicated, intricate knits as well."

The Gents

Menswear designer Dimitri Chris has been stitching up his niche on the Montreal fashion scene for the past decade, and is the veteran of not one, but two prêt-à-porter collections during la belle ville's Fashion Week. His use of shape and creative combinations has singled him out as one to watch.

"If a guy doesn't wear a traditional black tuxedo and tie he will automatically stand out and not necessarily in the right way. So to make a good statement, I think the men should opt for a real knotted bowtie, preferably in a pattern rather than solid black. They can also try a less conventional tuxedo with a lightweight velvet dinner jacket or a full-on silk tux in a navy or dark gray instead of the classic black."

The Shoes

Stuart Weitzman's 'million dollar shoes' have been an Oscars staple since 2002, and his work can be seen supporting many of the world's most famous arches.

"(This year we will see) lots and lots of platforms — the higher the better, as well as some unique feather detail designs, crystals, of course, and color palette of nudes and metallics. Stars are always ahead of the curve when it comes to embracing the latest in cutting-edge fashion, so expect the unexpected, especially from Maggie Gyllenhaal and Penelope Cruz."

Actresses Jane Lynch, far right, (wearing Ali Rahimi) and Maggie Gyllenhaal, right, (in Roland Mouret).

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Sleeveless polyester dress, Vero Moda (\$45, veromoda.com)



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ADVICE Chalky grey is spring's newest neutral.

Mix it with a creamy white or cloudy beige for a soft, monochromatic style in different fabrics and textures.

Linen and cotton blazer, French Connection (\$148, frenchconnection.com)



Synthetic-leather shoulder bag, Feet First (\$45, feetfirst-shoes.com)



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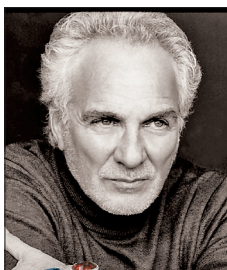
David Yurman, legendary jewellery designer and celeb favourite, shares some of his favourite things with ELLE

By RITA SILVAN
 Editor-in-Chief

Chances are, either you or someone you know owns a David Yurman. Bold, gumball-size citrines, amethysts and blue topazes are often set in his distinctive cabled rings, bracelets, pendants and earrings. ELLE talks sparkle and stars with the mixmaster.

On creating ad campaigns "I always ask 'What's the emotion?' I am always

looking for 'smile' pictures." **On supermodels** "I love working with Kate Moss. She really sells it. Recently we shot with Amber Valletta, who is great. Forty-five people turned up on a tropical island—hair, makeup, a trailer of clothes, craft services!" **Best thing about success?** "The freedom to create my own rules. For example, I ride my horse every Wednesday. If someone important is in town, I'll move my ride to another day. But I always take it." **On launching a fragrance** "My wife, Sybil, and I are sensualists — we love flowers, music, fragrance. It took one year to create the formula, and we settled on



the one labelled #6."

On being a gem hunter "I love the Tucson Gem Fair. I always tell my son Evan 'Go old-school: Don't go for price; go for the best quality.'" One day... "I've never been to the Gem Palace in Jaipur, India."

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Go colonial

Designed in the French Colonial style, this Cote d'Ivoire Table Lamp adds classic charm to any space. The twisted resin stem and hand-braided natural sea-grass shade create a sophisticated look. Ships with lamp shade pictured. Ballard Designs, \$79, ballarddesigns.com. JENNIFER BILL/FOR METRO CANADA



Light it up!

Homes in Style

JENNIFER BILL
for Metro Canada

The right light fixture can do wonders for a room, whether the space calls for ambient lighting, accenting or spotlighting a specific area.

The right fixture can also do wonders for your appearance, says Royal Lighting's General Manager Michael Gladstone.

"In the bedroom it can help you tell the difference between whether your pants or skirt are black or dark blue," said Gladstone. "In the bathroom if you

have the right lighting, it enables you to do a better job shaving or putting on your makeup. A potlight above your head, for example, means your body is creating a shadow, so you are not putting on makeup in the right light."

A plain or unappealing fixture can do little for a room — in contrast, an eye-catching chandelier or floor lamp can cast a gorgeous glow, or act as a delightful decorative piece.

"You walk into someone's house and they have the \$11 fixture that the builder put in," said Gladstone, who has been in the lighting business for 30 years. "Or you have a beautiful piece of crystal lighting, something that really sets the room off."



With the **Sphere Table Lamp**, right, a curvaceous base in silver-plated glass or richly toned, hand-pieced sheesham wood, is balanced by a cylindrical shade. \$99. The **Pebble Table Lamp**, with a silver glass base and white textured cotton shade, is inspired by the smooth, organic shape of a river rock. West Elm, \$179, westelm.com.



The **Chelsea Sectional Lamp** has a slender boom arm that floats light over a couch or sectional without impeding movement. A pivoting white linen-cotton shade is fitted with a diffuser to filter the light. Cast of steel and aluminum alloy. Pottery Barn, \$300, potterybarn.com.



The **Glass Link Chandelier**, right, is a chic, modern take on traditional design, with cascades of tempered glass refracting the light on a polished-nickel frame, adding festive sparkle to the table. \$299. The luminous natural capiz shells on the **Natural Capiz Pendant** softly diffuses the light, casting a romantic glow. \$99. Both from West Elm, westelm.com.

Mobius Environmental Awards Call for Nominations

Do you know, or are you, an innovative individual or organization that has made Nova Scotia a leader in waste reduction? RRFB Nova Scotia is now accepting nominations in the following Mobius Environmental Award categories:

- School of the Year
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- Institution of the Year
- ENVIRO-DEPOT™ of the Year
- Innovation in Waste Reduction
- Best Community-Based Project
- Waste Reduction Education Program
- Individual Excellence in Waste Reduction
- Region, Municipality or Authority of the Year

The Mobius Environmental Awards luncheon will be held June 2, 2010 at Pier 21 in Halifax. Let's recognize those who help Nova Scotia be a global leader in waste diversion!

For details on nomination procedures or to download the nomination form, please visit www.rrfb.com/mobius or call 1-877-313-RRFB (7732).



DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS IS APRIL 30, 2010.

Timberlake, Diaz reunite — on screen

Justin Timberlake is back with ex Cameron Diaz — on the big screen. He has signed on to star alongside her in the comedy *The Bad Teacher*. According to *Variety*, Diaz, 37, plays a middle school teacher who gets dumped by her boyfriend. **USMAGAZINE.COM**

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Entertainment

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Derülo sings heart out

Jason Derülo**Album:** Jason Derülo**Label:** Warner**Rating:** ⓈⓈ**AFTER YEARS**

OF writing for other artists, latest R&B sensation Jason Derülo finally has his own success with hits *Whatcha Say* and *In My Head*. Creating a full-length on their backs, this nine-track eponymous effort ranges from simplistic dance anthems to more of the same. Completely vacuous, Derülo solely bleats about love in various states (falling into it, emotional hangovers and so on) and seems more concerned with finding vocal hooks



than crafting anything of merit. Richly upbeat and overflowing with synthesized effects, Jason Derülo is danceable and quirky but it's also far from enduring or in danger of redefining pop music. Instead, it does as planned: makes a quick cash grab with rudimentary, disposable aural Pabulum.

Keith Carman/for Metro Canada

Rogue Wave**Album:** Permalight**Label:** Universal**Rating:** ⓈⓈⓈ**OAKLAND'S****ROGUE WAVE**

have never quit lived up to the promise they showed on their stunning

**Metro Music**

• Read the rest of this week's album reviews at metronews.ca/music and follow us on Twitter at [@TheMetroMusic](https://twitter.com/TheMetroMusic).

debut *Out of the Shadow*. But, after two lackluster discs, their fourth record finally comes close. The record is filled with a mix of soft acoustic numbers and more upbeat electrotinged tunes. It's the former where they really shine — *Solitary Gun* is a gorgeous mid-tempo track. Unfortunately, some of the tracks sound a lot like *Death Cab for Cutie*, which takes away from Zack Rogue's improved songwriting.

Bryan Borzykowski/for Metro Canada

AlbumReviewsmusic@metronews.ca**Joanna Newsom****Album:** Have One On Me**Label:** Drag City**Rating:** ⓈⓈⓈⓈ**YOU HAVE TO**

BE nuts to release a two-hour, three-album record filled with spare harp-filled sounds, so it's no surprise that Joanna Newsom has done exactly that. The eclectic singer-songwriter lays down 18 delicate, almost musical-like tracks on her third effort. This album is her most direct and lyrically realized, and



Jason Derülo's self-titled album is danceable and quirky but it's also far from enduring or in danger of redefining pop music.

while it's difficult to wrap your head around at first, these oddly infectious tunes are growers. Her one problem is the same issue anyone releasing a

double disc or more faces — cutting a few of the more forgetful tunes would have made this a five star listen.

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A bomb disposal expert who served in the Iraq war plans to sue the makers of *The Hurt Locker*, claiming the film's lead character is based on him and that they cheated him out of "financial participation in the film," his lawyer said. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Bubl  leads with 6 Juno noms

Billy Talent, Johnny Reid, Drake each up for 4 prizes

The Juno Awards are crazy for Vancouver crooner Michael Bubl  and his hit album *Crazy Love*.

Bubl  scored a leading six nominations as this year's Juno contenders were announced Wednesday.

Rockers Billy Talent, rapper Drake and country singer Johnny Reid all landed four nominations apiece.

Teen sensation Justin Bieber and Toronto indie

rockers Metric received three nods each.

Bubl  will compete for the Juno fan choice award, single of the year for *Haven't Met You Yet*, album of the year, artist of the year, songwriter of the

year and pop album of the year.

Crazy Love also landed producers Bob Rock and David Foster a nomination each in the producer of the year category.

Rockers Billy Talent, from Mississauga, Ont., are up for single of the year for *Rusted From The Rain*, album of the year, group of the year and rock album of the year.

Drake, fresh off two Grammy nominations, will compete for single of the year (*Best I Ever Had*), new artist of the year, and a double nomination in the category of rap recording of the year.

Finally, singer-songwriter Johnny Reid — who was born in Scotland, raised in Toronto and now lives in Nashville — is up for fan choice, album of the year, artist of the year and country album of the year.

Bubl , Drake and Justin Bieber will be among the performers at the Junos, set for April 18 in St.



Michael Bubl  has scored a leading six Juno nominations.

John's, N.L.

Bryan Adams is slated to receive a humanitarian award and April Wine will be inducted into the Canadian Music Hall of Fame.

Comedian Russell Peters has hosted the show for the last two years, but a spokeswoman for the Canadian Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences confirmed that the

funnyman would not be back for this year's festivities.

Instead, the Junos will use several hosts.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Juno contenders

Read the full list of nominees at metronews.ca/music.

Yes Means Yes!
VISIONS OF FEMALE SEXUAL POWER & A WORLD WITHOUT RAPE
Jaclyn Friedman and Jessica Valenti
FOREWORD BY MARGARET CHO

Yes Means Yes!

How increasing female sexual autonomy can help stop rape.

Friday, March 5, 2010, 8:00pm at **VENUS ENVY** Free!

What if, instead of just the absence of "no," an enthusiastic "yes" was required as a standard for sexual consent?

What if, instead of treating sex like a commodity that women need to guard and men need to get, our culture viewed sex as a collaborative improv performance?

Jaclyn Friedman is a queer Jewish writer, performer, and activist, and the editor of *Yes Means Yes: Visions of Female Sexual Power and a World Without Rape* (Seal Press).

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	34	34	34	TROP Planet Soap	Comeback	Reality	Whatever	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy

critics'corner

The Office

When Pam's (Jenna Fischer) contractions begin, she and Jim try to wait things out as long as possible so they can have more time at the hospital, so their co-workers distract her with food and entertainment. At the hospital, Michael anxiously awaits the baby's arrival in the new episode "The Delivery." 10 PM on C/HF, NBC



CSI: Crime Scene Investigation

Talk about a shocking musical experience! Langston (Laurence Fishburne) and his team investigate when a member of Rascal Flatts (guest starring as himself) is electrocuted by his own guitar during a concert, raising the question of whether it was an accident or foul play. 7 PM on C/HF

The First 48

In Louisville, Ky., detectives investigate the murder of a 28-year-old father who was stabbed to death while at work in "Smoke Screen." Then in Harris County, Texas a 35-year-old man is shot to death in a bar bathroom, and investigators discover the victim had had a feeling he was going to die in "The Last Goodbye." 10 PM on A&E

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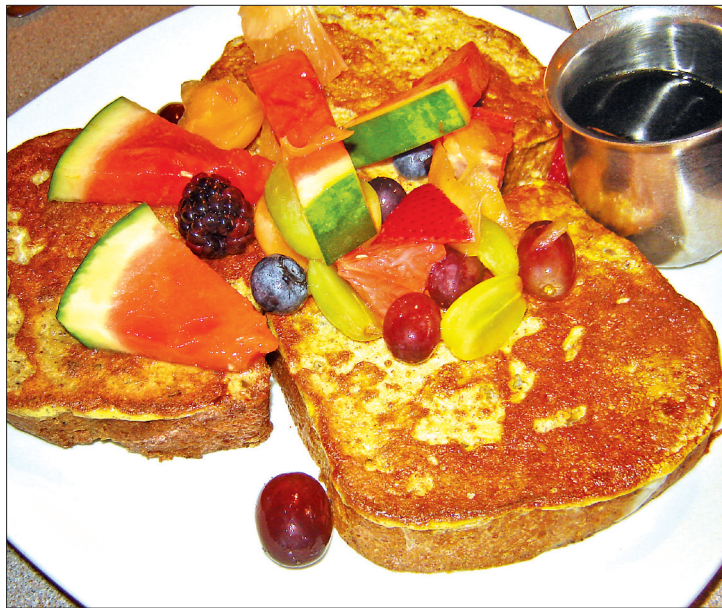
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Signature Drink: Coffee

Sunday Brunch at The Good Food Emporium is lively. This unpretentious, funky, rough-around-the-edges restaurant is crowded with young people enjoying live music.

We arrive before 2 p.m. and are told the kitchen soon closes, so we order quickly. The brunch menu has the usual suspects plus vegan offerings such as granola with soy milk and fresh fruit salad.

We try the Traditional French Toast (\$6.75), a generous serving, attractively arranged with fruit on top — watermelon, grapes, strawberries, melon, and a blackberry — and the requisite real maple syrup. It hits the spot.

There are six varieties of omelets so we try Spinach and Feta (\$7.50). There's lots of spinach and onion in the omelet, but a bit more feta would be great. It looks appetiz-



Above: Traditional French Toast (\$6.75). Right: Spinach and Feta Omelet (\$7.50).

ing but tastes rather bland. The thick homemade toasted bread on the side is excellent so we buy a loaf to take home.

We help ourselves to coffee and cold drinks. On our way out we spot someone's scrumptious looking fishcakes and beans and realize we ordered too quickly. A reason to return.



Dining out

HAPPY MENU Niche Lounge Supper Club at Spring Garden and Barrington has a new lunch menu featuring lunch-portion, home-style specials such as pasta, soup of the day and personal pizzas. For details call 423-6632 or visit nichelounge.com.

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DRINK Premier Wine & Spirits host the World Cup of Beer — Round 1. Wednesday, March 17, at 6:30 p.m. Vote on the top beers — \$25 per person. Seven to 14 participants necessary; RSVP Sommelier Drew Curlett at dcurlett@rogers.blackberry.net

FOOD International Women's Day Luncheons. Thursday, March 18, at the World Trade and Convention Centre, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Theme is celebrating Ethnic Women of Strength. \$60 per ticket; call 429-9001 or bryonyhouse.ca

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Beverly Hills plastic surgeon Frank Ryan recently performed 10 procedures on Heidi Montag. Now he tells UsMagazine.com he won't operate on The Hills star, 23, again. "There's really nothing to do," he said. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Celebrity Buzz

No financial Bale out for sis

BLOOD IS THICKER THAN WATER BUT NOT AS THICK AS 60 MILLION ONE DOLLAR BILLS Christian Bale — whose family had him arrested in July 2008 on assault charges after an incident at London's Dorchester hotel — is unlikely to offer his sister Sharon any of his \$60 million fortune, despite the charges later being dropped, because they have not spoken

since, femalefirst.co.uk reports. His sister Sharon, 42, faced a bankruptcy hearing at Bournemouth County Court, and is in the precarious financial situation because of a number of disastrous property investments. "Christian doesn't know about the bankruptcy. I wouldn't expect him to help," she says. "We don't speak anymore. It's totally his decision and it makes us all very sad. I started my own property investment company

and made some mistakes." Bale's 61-year-old mother Jenny — whose daughter now faces the possibility of losing her home — revealed they not had any contact with the actor for the past year. "Sharon is in a pretty dire situation and has always tried her hardest to support her family," says Bale's mom. "We don't have Christian's current number and he doesn't know anything about what's happening."

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This was about a stun gun, right?

NOT A SEMI-AUTOMATIC OR A BAZOOKA? A lawyer for Katherine Jackson is zapping reports that Jermaine Jackson's 13-year-old son Jaafar allegedly tried to harm the late King of Pop's son Blanket with a stun gun, people.com reports. The L.A. County Department of Children and Family Services visited the Jacksons' Encino, Calif., home, but the family insists it was much ado about nothing.

"Blanket Jackson never saw or heard the stun gun," says attorney Adam Streisand in a statement. "Neither did Paris Jackson. Prince saw the stun gun in the possession of security.

There is no second stun gun." Streisand says Jaafar, who lives with his mother Alejandra at the home, ordered a stun gun online two weeks ago and opened the package alone in his bathroom and tested it on a piece of paper.

"Mrs. Jackson and security heard the sound coming from the second floor of the house," the lawyer says.

"Immediately, security went upstairs and confiscated the stun gun. Mrs. Jackson took control over it and then had it removed from the house. There was no other incident.

"All of the kids are happy, healthy and wonderful and that is Mrs. Jackson's only objective and concern," Streisand adds.

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Dancing into Dane Cook's life

AND HOPEFULLY DOSIE DOUGHING RIGHT OUT OF IT AGAIN Since her split from boyfriend Chuck Wicks in November, country and dancing darling Julianne Hough appears to be enjoying the single life, people.com reports.

In December she was briefly linked to Kings of Leon bassist Jared Followill, and the Dancing with the Stars pro now seems to

be spending some quality time with funnyman

Dane Cook. Hough, 21, attended Cook's surprise performance at Hollywood's Laugh Factory Saturday night.

A source says that after his set, the comedian walked over to Hough, who was seated at a private table, and "kissed her, and they quickly left together."

Reps for both Hough and Dane had no comment.

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Betty White not dead yet

GOSSIP WRITERS — SHOULDN'T TRUST THEM. EXCEPT FOR US, OF COURSE There are some people who you just shouldn't mess with, and one of them is Golden Girls goddess Betty White, popeater.ca reports.

In the wee hours of Tuesday night/Wednesday morning, a dastardly



hoax was perpetrated in the comments area of popular gossip blog Oh No They Didn't, where a screen-shot of a fake TMZ article was posted claiming the actress had died.

How'd she perish? The faux article said it was a mixture of drug abuse and foul play. From there, the rumour spread like wildfire and quickly became a hot trend on Twitter and Google.

A blog called The Cutting Room Floor got to the bottom of the hoax early Wednesday.

Though commenters on Oh No They Didn't claimed they had seen the article on TMZ, no such piece could be found on the popular website's homepage.

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Follow these celebrities on Twitter...

CelebTweets

CONAN O'BRIEN isn't adapting well to Twitter, **KELLY OSBOURNE** has her priorities set, **DIABLO CODY** isn't proud of herself, and **TAYLOR SWIFT** has poor impulse control. @ConanOBrien This is only my 5th tweet and I'm already exhausted. My God, how does Ashton do it? @MissKellyO I would not waste money on plastic surgery people have already made up there minds as to what I look like and I would rather buy a new dress @diablocody Just transformed a full bag of "Tacos at Midnight" Doritos into a half-empty bag of "Shame at Noon" Doritos. @taylorswift13 At the nail salon. Toes under the nail-dryer thing. They put me in front of the bowl of tootsie rolls. Now they're having to refill it.

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The man works in showbiz

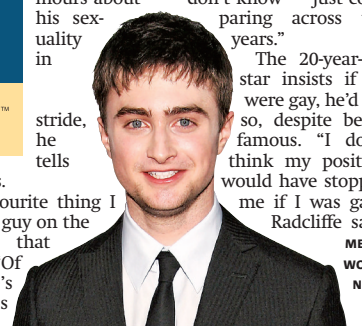
IT'S HARDLY A HOSTILE ENVIRONMENT FOR 'COMING OUT' Harry Potter star Daniel Radcliffe takes rumours about his sexuality in

got a gay face,' which I thought was kind of an odd thing to say anyway," says Radcliffe.

"Like they've sat at home and have got pictures of me next to other famous gay (people) — Elton John, I don't know — just comparing across the years."

The 20-year-old star insists if he were gay, he'd say so, despite being famous. "I don't think my position would have stopped me if I was gay," Radcliffe says.

stride, he tells



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Poppa don't preach

TO THE PRESS PLEASE Of all the problems Lindsay Lohan has faced recently, she says the worst is her father, Michael Lohan, talking about her to the press.

"He's nuts. He is someone who is crying out for help and attention. He is the one who should be in rehab," Lohan says, according to Hollyscoop.

"The real issue here? I don't condone that he has never paid child support. He has never stepped up. It's not fair, my mom has been such a great mother and has done such a great job raising us."

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MTV News.

"My favourite thing I saw was a guy on the Internet that said, 'Of course he's gay. He's

Avatar considered off limits

BUT CAN YOU IMAGINE WHAT HE'D DO WITH IT IF IT WASN'T? If there was anyone who could fall into the "too raucy for the Oscars" cat-

that the man behind raunchy-yet-hysterical alter egos like Borat and Bruno had his skit vetoed from this weekend's Oscars telecast.

egory when it came to writing a skit, Sacha Baron Cohen sits at the top of the list, popeater.com reports.

So it's no surprise



Why? Because it apparently contained some jokes directed at Avatar director James Cameron, and the show's producers didn't want to insult the man behind the biggest movie ever.

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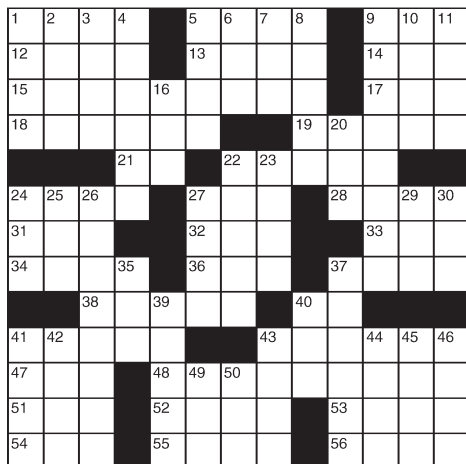


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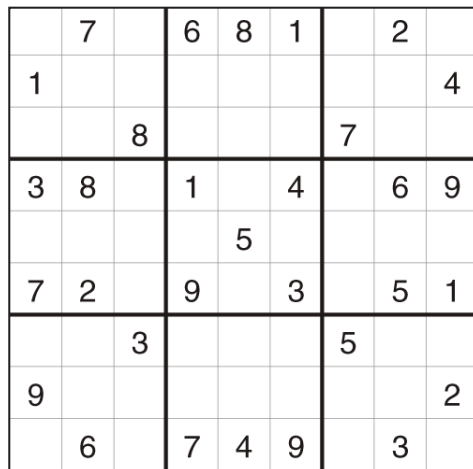
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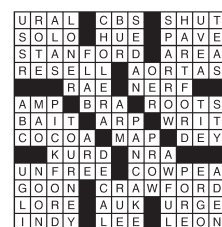
Sudoku

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HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone — one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.



PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:



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Metro Recipe of the Day



Moroccan chickpea stew

METHOD:

1. In a Dutch oven or large saucepan, heat oil over medium-high heat. Add onion, ginger, salt, pepper, turmeric, cinnamon and chili powder. Cook until onion is tender and golden, about 10 minutes. Stir in tomatoes with their juices and broth, scraping any bits from the bottom of the pan. Add sweet potatoes and rice; bring to a boil. Reduce heat to maintain a simmer, cover and cook for 15 minutes.

INGREDIENTS:

15 ml (1 tbsp) olive oil
1 large onion, chopped
2 ml (1/2 tsp) ground ginger
2 ml (1/2 tsp) each salt and freshly cracked black pepper
1 ml (1/4 tsp) each turmeric, cinnamon and chili powder
1 can (796 ml/28 oz) diced tomatoes (undrained)
500 ml (2 cups) vegetable or chicken broth
2 peeled sweet potatoes, cut into chunks
250 ml (1 cup) long-grain white rice
1 can (540 ml/19 oz) chickpeas, rinsed and drained
2 zucchini, sliced

SERVES 4

2. Stir in chickpeas and zucchini and cook until rice is tender and most of the liquid has been absorbed, about 10 minutes.

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ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20
If you are creative or artistic then you will soon get the chance to show what you can do. Your special talent is about to make itself known.



LIBRA

SEPT 23-OCT 23
Go with the flow today, even if it appears to be taking you in a direction that doesn't feel right.



TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21
A friend or family member needs your help and you won't hesitate to give it. You have energy, you have enthusiasm and you have self-belief.



SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22
It may not seem as if Lady Luck is smiling on you at the moment but a few weeks from now you will realize how many things began to change around this time.



GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21
Be ambitious today. Others may have more talent and experience than you but those things matter less than energy and self-belief.



SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21
There are times when even a Sagittarius needs to unburden their feelings and this is one of them. But you must be careful who you choose to talk to.



CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22
If you keep your eyes and ears open today you may get a pointer as to which direction your optimal future can be found. Pay attention!



CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 20
You have more control over the events of your life than you seem to be aware of and what happens today will confirm that fact in some way.



LEO

JULY 23-AUG 23
The fact that you feel a certain way means you are entitled to feel that way — you don't need permission. You are who you are for a reason.



AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18
Listen to your inner voice today. If it tells you that something is not quite right you must take note.



VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22
You will feel so alive and on top of things today that you will get ten things done in the time it usually takes you to do just one.



PISCES

FEB 19-MARCH 20
Believe it or not you are on the right track and making considerable progress, so there is no need to change your tactics or lower your sights.



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